

WEYLER'S TROOPS BURN LIVING MEN

Unarmed Pacificos in Cuba Frightfully Tortured by the Butcher's Forces.

Two Hundred and Eighty Persons Killed in One District, Women and Children Not Being Spared.

Spanish Soldiers Rob Cubans and Slay Them if They Protest---Atrocities Witnessed by a Briton.

By Marion Kendrick.

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The once fertile fields of Vuelto Abajo are desolate, and the province is virtually depopulated. The capital and towns contiguous to the Western Railway as well as coast ports garrisoned by Spanish troops are overcrowded with starving refugees, men, women and children, for the relief of whom no funds are at the Government's disposal.

Well informed persons here assure me that no less than 40 per cent. of the rural population have fallen victims of General Melguizo's forces. Pacificos were killed without mercy under special instructions from Weyler, and a hundred instances might be mentioned where neither women nor children were spared. The following information of atrocities committed since New Year's by Weyler's regulars and Melguizo's guerrillas was given me by an ex-officer of the British Army, who, with a permit from the palace at Havana and a pass from the Civil Governor of San Pedro, recently made an extended tour through Pinar del Rio districts. Many of the more brutal crimes, he says, were committed in the district of Guane.

Victims of the Butchers.

Juan Leon, a white pacifico and tobacco-grower, upon whose estate a few rusty old machetes were found secreted, and Manuel Flaca, his negro foreman, were tied together, shut up and left in a barn by guerrillas under Lieutenant Caloft. Dur-

Another chief of volunteers, Manuel Melendez De Ploira, had Manuel Lazo and Tomas Borrojo, well-known tobacco growers, and two white farm hands, Manuel Iglesias and Miguel Llanes, an octogenarian, Antonio Duarte, and four negro

Cuba Demands "Unconditional Freedom."

President Palma, of the Cuban Junta, returned from Washington yesterday. A private conference of the leading members of the Junta was held up town last night. Among the matters considered was the best methods to pursue in regard to future expeditions; also the proposition that no more shipments of arms and men be sent from the Florida coast.

At the close of the meeting President Palma said to a Journal reporter that arms and ammunition would continue to be shipped. The Junta would ship from such points as seemed the most adapted and convenient to their purpose.

President Palma added with strong emphasis: "But under no circumstances shall we allow the neutrality laws of this country to be violated by any of our men. We shall act under the best legal advice and keep within the strict letter of the law. Nothing shall be permitted or countenanced by the Junta of an illegal character, so far as we are concerned. We do not say that we shall confine our shipments to the New Jersey Coast or to any other coast. We can only decide when the emergency arises and then act according to our best advice and judgment."

In regard to the report from Philadelphia that General Weyler's special commissioner to the United States from Havana, Major Sandoval, comes North to arrest President Palma and destroy the Junta, M. Rubens, counsel for the Junta, said: "Major Sandoval comes here for another purpose—it is said to negotiate peace. Our terms are unconditional freedom. When he comes on such a mission then we will listen to him."

ing the night Spanish volunteers, led by Lieutenant Cayetano Barquin, set fire to the barn, those confined within being burned alive. The incident was related by Don Baldomero, a Costa clerk of the District Court at Guane, who, though a Spaniard, told the Englishman that he himself had often accompanied Caloft and Barquin, and personally witnessed many of the shocking outrages committed by them in the name of Spain.

Another guerrilla chief, Samperlo, went at night to the houses of Miguel Barrera Alvarez and Nicholas Santoya and macheted them in their beds, confiscating a large quantity of tobacco they had stored in their buildings. Two old servants, Rafael Diaz and his wife, were killed by Samperlo's men that they might not give evidence as to the tobacco being seized.

Before the war began, Caloft, Barquin and Samperlo were all buyers of leaf tobacco for account of different Havana, Key West, Tampa and New York manufacturers. Now, in the guise of Government volunteer chiefs, they rove around the country confiscating the choicest leaf of the district for their private account. Pacificos who dare to protest are macheted upon the spot.

Robbing the Peasants.

At Remates, Cortes and La Grifa, Captain Vincente Gutierrez, of the local guerrillas, is also a speculator in tobacco, but compels the growers to haul their product into town and store it where he directs. Then he tells them to go home, that he will pass their way with his guerrillas in a few days and pay them, but if the remuneration ever comes the poor peasant receives it with his arms bound and in the form of Spanish machetes. *ANB*

One planter of prominence, Rafael Diaz, and three men working in his tobacco field, were macheted by Gutierrez in broad daylight less than a league from Remates, their bodies being left by the roadside.

Emilio Sanchez, fourteen years old, paralyzed from birth, was shot by the same force as an alleged rebel spy. In the district of Paso Real, Remates Sabola, Por-

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